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**ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**  
***ACTION MINUTES***

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September 4, 2003

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**THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE.**

**Members Present**

Ashley, Marion  
Clark, Margaret  
Cook, Debbie  
Eckenrode, Norman  
Feinstein, Michael  
Forester, Larry  
Krause, Mary Ann  
Kuiper, Hank (Vice Chair)  
Miller, Michael  
Nelson, Larry  
Roth, Neil  
Van Arsdale, Lori  
Washburn, Dennis  
Young, Toni (Chair)

**Representing**

Riverside County  
Rosemead  
Huntington Beach  
Placentia  
Santa Monica  
Signal Hill  
Santa Paula  
Imperial County  
West Covina  
Artesia  
Lawndale  
Hemet  
Calabasas  
Port Hueneme

**Members Absent**

Marchand, Paul  
Rutherford, Mark  
Streator, Joyce

**Representing**

Cathedral City  
Westlake Village  
Pasadena

**New Members**

Lutz, Mary Ann

**Representing**

Monrovia

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**1.0    CALL TO ORDER**

Toni Young, Chair, called the meeting of the Energy and Environment Committee (EEC) to order at 10:35 a.m.

**2.0    MEMBERS PRESENT and MEMBERS ABSENT**

Attachment

**2.0    INTRODUCTIONS and PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

New Committee member Mary Ann Lutz, Monrovia, introduced.

**3.0    REVIEW and PRIORITIZE AGENDA**

**4.0    CONSENT CALENDAR**

**4.1    Approval Item**

4.1.1    Action Minutes – July 31, 2003

**4.2    Receive and File**

4.2.1    SCAG Legislative Matrix

CA SB 288 and CA AB 1497 to be brought back as an agenda item to recommend opposing the bill. Chair requests to send a letter to the author of CA AB 1300 for a complete list of salaries and benefits.

4.2.2    Semi-monthly Intergovernmental Review (IGR) Report: Area-wide  
Clearinghouse Listings Environmental Document Listing and  
Amendments to Regional Transportation Improvement Program

*Motion to Approve Consent Calendar, then UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED by the Committee.*

**5.0    ACTION ITEMS**

5.1    Adoption of Positions on Three State Bills

Charlotte Eckelbecker, SCAG staff, provided an update and recommendations on two state bills, AB 1300 (Laird) is now inactive and was not heard.

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AB 1497 (Montanez) introduced to make alterations in the permitting of solid waste facilities. Position = Opposed.

SB 288 (Sher) – the Committee decided to oppose due to insufficient amendments.

***Motion to REMOVE AB 1300; OPPOSE AB 1497 and SB 288 by Clark, Seconded by Forester, then UNANIMOUSLY UPHELD by the Committee.***

5.2 California Floodplain Management Report

Dan Griset, SCAG staff, briefly reviewed the previous presentation and introduced Susan Longville, Council Member, San Bernardino, and a member of a statewide task force on Floodplain Management. The Committee received a PowerPoint presentation relative to the recommendations for more effective state wide floodplain management policies. Also identified were some of the major impediments to effective floodplain management strategies: insufficient understanding of the risks from reasonably foreseeable flooding, past approaches to floodplain management, single purpose approaches, insufficient technical assistance and lack of funding for local agency.

Dan Griset submitted a recommended support document for review, with amended language.

The Committee recommended the report be made available to the planning directors, cities and counties via internet.

***Motion to Approve support document with amendments by Washburn, Seconded by Feinstein, then UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED by the Committee.***

**6.0 INFORMATION ITEMS**

6.1 Update: Air Quality

Molly Hoffman, SCAG staff, informed the committee that the 2003 South Coast Air Quality Management Plan (SCAQMP) was adopted on August 1. The plan provides an attainment demonstration for Ozone, PM10 and also provides the basis of a maintenance plan for CO. The size of the black box has grown significantly since the 97/99 SCAQMP and accounts for 80% of the emission reduction strategy in the 2003 SCAQMP. The majority of emissions in the region are generated from sources regulated under the jurisdiction of USEPA and ARB. Given the challenge of the long-term emission reduction target, a collaborative effort is needed in the Region in order to achieve the National Ambient Air Quality Standards by

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the required attainment dates. Local and state agencies are seeking the delegation of authority from EPA to regulate federal regulated sources.

6.2    State Implementation Plan

Molly Hoffman, SCAG Staff, gave a brief update on the proposed adoption of the South Coast State Implementation Plan (SIP) by ARB. ARB recently released a staff report for their upcoming board hearing. The report states that ARB is committed to defining long-term measures by 2007 and that they will initiate that process in 2004 which will coincide with ARB's rule making process. Expedited progress is needed in order to attain the Ozone standards by 2010.

6.3    Environmental Justice Advisory Committee

Nancy Pfeffer, SCAG Staff, reported on the future appointments to the Environmental Justice Advisory Committee. The Committee requested the item return next month for review.

6.4    PILUT RTP EIR Update

Brett Sears, SCAG staff, provided updates on the progress of the EIR for the 2004 RTP. Staff mentioned the schedule and the planned public scoping meeting on September 16, 2003.

**7.0    WATER POLICY TASK FORCE REPORT**

The next meeting to be announced.

**8.0    SOLID WASTE TASK FORCE REPORT**

Task force has sunset; all items will come to the EEC.

**9.0    CHAIRS' REPORT**

None

**10.0   STAFF REPORT**

**11.0   FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**12.0   ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**13.0   ADJOURNMENT**

Committee adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on September 4, 2003 in the SCAG offices.

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Approved By:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sylvia Patsouras", written over a horizontal line.

Sylvia Patsouras, Manager  
Environmental Planning

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